

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Nenad Ivezic and Thomas E. Potok

Application No.: New

Examiner:

Filed: Herewith

Group Art Unit:

For: METHOD FOR DISTRIBUTED AGENT-BASED NON-EXPERT
SIMULATION OF MANUFACTURING PROCESS BEHAVIOR

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

ATTN: BOX PATENT APPLICATION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified
application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 1, line 5, delete "(Not Applicable)"

Page 1, line 5, insert --This invention was made with government support
under contract DE-AC05-96OR22464, awarded by the United States Department
of Energy to Lockheed Martin Energy Research Corporation. The United States
government has certain rights in this invention.--